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Docket Number (Optional)

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In re Application of **Westhoff et al.**Application Number  
09/395,106Filed  
September 14, 1999For MANHOLE STEP INSERT FOR MANUFACTURE OF A CAST MEMBER AND TO  
PROVIDE A STEP INSERT HAVING INCREASED STRUCTURAL AND HOLDING  
STRENGTHGroup Art Unit  
3637Examiner  
Tran A. Phi Dieu NApplicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the  
examiner dated, May 10, 2002, rejecting the following claims: 21-27 and 41-44

The fee for this Notice of Appeal is (37 CFR 1.17(b))

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(Form PTO/SB/96)☒ attorney or agent of record.☐ attorney or agent acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a).  
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Signature

Louis Weinstein

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November 12, 2002

Date

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